

# 80th Birthday



**Mrs. Minnie Jordan Spanton**

The daughters of Mrs. Minnie Jordan Spanton will honor their mother at a family gathering on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

She has requested that no Open House be held. A card or note of remembrance would be appreciated and could be mailed to 637 West 500 South, Payson, UT 84651.

Minnie Jordan Spanton was born Aug. 27, 1908 in Park City, to George B. and Emma D. Jordan. She was married to William H. Spanton on Feb. 5, 1935. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Bill and Minnie had four daughters, Holly Broadhead, Connie Hansen, Betty Quinn and Billie Jo Steele.

Upon Bill's death in 1947, she

became the matriarch and sole provider for her young family. She accepted employment as a cook and spent many years at the old Hub Cafe and the Wagon Wheel restaurant in Heber City. After raising her family, she relocated to Payson, where she was co-owner, chief cook and bottle washer at the Old Firehouse Restaurant, and the Santa Queen Drive Inn in Santaquin. She will be remembered by many for her delicious pies and "old fashioned home cookin'."

She has just recently, but not willingly, traded in her work shoes to remain at home. Among the valued principles she has instilled in her family is independence, responsibility and respect for hard work. She has certainly been an example of strength to not only her daughters, but to her 20 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren, who will join in honoring her this week.

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## SPANTON, William Holland and Minnie Jordan

The home located at 158 West 2nd North was purchased in 1920 by George Borlan and Emma Jordan for the purpose of relocating their three sons and two daughters into town for schooling. The house was a two room home and later four more rooms were added. The house was located next to Nymphus and Ethel Watson. As the children married and left home the home was rented out. When their daughter Minnie married William Holland Spanton, in 1935, they moved into the house and their daughters, Holly

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and Connie, were born. In 1940, they moved to Ogden and the home was rented until 1949 when William Spanton died of an illness. Minnie then returned to the home in the 2nd Ward with her four daughters, including Betty and Billie Jo. Their ages ranged from 1 year to 14 years. Minnie went to work as a cook in Heber's best restaurants to support her family. She was known for her delicious meals and homemade pies. She also earned the respect of many for her dependability and dedication to her profession. Minnie remained in the 2nd Ward until the girls were raised and then moved to Payson, Utah, where she was co-owner with Holly and Betty of the Firehouse Restaurant noted for it's home cooking. They currently own and operate the Santa Queen Drive Inn in Santaquin, Utah, where Minnie, at 79 years of age, serves up her original "Granny Burger". She enjoys traveling and sports events. She has 19 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Holly and Betty remain active in the food business as well as meeting community and religious responsibilities. Connie is General Manager of a Press and Clipping Service in Provo, Utah. She is active in speaking engagements, community and religious positions. Billie Jo currently resides in Mountain Green, where she remains active in the church and is manager of a Mini World Clothing Store.

All of us hold fond memories of the years spent in the Heber 2nd Ward. Many hard times were made easier for the family by good friends and concerned bishops of the ward. We will never forget Ethel Watson's good cooking and raisin-filled cookies she so generously shared with us, or Nyp's concern for the well-being of our family. They hold a special place in our hearts. *Bill Ward*  
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# **ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT**

Mrs. Minnie J. Spanton wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Billie Jo to Clifton Leon Steele, son of J. L. Steel of Spanish Fork, Utah.  
No definite date has been set for the wedding.